



St Michael's Parish, Nowra – Tel: 4423 1712 E-mail: office@nowraparish.org.au

Website: nowraparish.org.au Incorporates the Church Communities of St Michael, Nowra; St Patrick, Berry

Sacred Heart, Bomaderry; Mary, Help of Christians, Culburra; St Joseph, Kangaroo Valley; Holy Spirit, Vincentia.

Sunday Masses:

NOWRA.....6pm Vigil; 8am, 9.30am & 6pm
BERRY 8.00am
BOMADERRY 9.30am
CULBURRA 6pm Vigil
VINCENTIA 6pm Vigil, & 9.30am
KANGAROO VALLEY 11.00am

Masses during the Week:

Nowra: Mon 7.00am; Tues/Wed/Thurs 8.15am
 Friday 7.00am and 11.30am; Sat 9.00am
Morning Prayer: Wed 7.50am; **Holy Hour:** Fri 10.30am
Berry: Tues 5.30pm **Culburra:** Thurs 5.30pm
Vincentia: Mon/Thur/Fri 8.00am..... Tues/Wed 5.30pm
Shoalhaven Heads: Friday 3.30pm Community Centre
Kangaroo Valley: *Please note there will be no daily Mass in Kangaroo Valley from Monday 5th to Saturday 10th Sept.*

Confession ~ Reconciliation

Nowra:Sat 9.30-10.30am & 5.00- 5.30pm
Culburra: Sat 5.30pm. **Berry:** Tues 6.00pm
Kangaroo Valley: Sat 4.30 – 5pm
Vincentia:.....Sat 5 –5.30pm

We prayerfully remember those who died this week.

Zona Rouse, and Robert Lonesborough. Also **Catherine Cooke, Terry Power, Christopher Delaney, Edward & Marija Alamango** whose anniversaries occur. **May they rest in eternal peace.**



FEASTDAYS: Thurs 8 Sept, **Birth Of the Virgin Mary**
 Fri 9th Sept, **Blessed Fredrick Ozanam**



First Holy Communion lessons for Vincentia commence **Monday 12th Sept**, 3:45pm – 5pm, in the Vincentia Hall. Parents will be advised about a parent meeting at a later date.

50th Anniversary of the Catholic Development Fund. In the celebration of the Catholic Development Fund's 50th Anniversary, the General Manager extends an invitation to all past and present clients, and parishioners in general, to attend Mass at St Michael's Parish Church, Nowra, on **Fri, 16 Sept** commencing at 11.30^{am} & followed by a light lunch in the Parish Centre.

DIOCESAN CLERGY SUPPORT FUND Today there is a **special collection to support the clergy of our Diocese.** The collection is specifically to support our sick and retired clergy; and assist the work of promoting priestly vocations. We invite you to put your contribution into the loose money in the 2nd Collection. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



"Following Jesus – Matthew", National eConference Tues **6 Sept**, 10.30^{am} – 2.50^{pm}. Listen and respond to some of our best scripture scholars, as they enable our reflection upon the meaning of Matthew's gospel for us and for the Church community. To attend our parish screening, contact **Katherine Jelavic 4446 0780** & leave a message.

EAST TIMOR COFFEE will be on sale at all Masses at St Michael's Church, the weekend of **17/18 Sept.** Cost \$9/packet or \$16 for two. Proceeds go to the Carmelite Missions Office. Many projects are funded by the sale of this organic coffee such as: *mobile health clinic van; purchase of 2nd hand computers; & computer training for local students.* **Contact** Moira Anderson 4448 7391 for information.

St Michael's Youth Group are holding a "Pics and Flicks – Madrid in Action" night, **Fri Sept 9** in the Parish Centre, from 6.30pm to 8pm. Please bring supper to share.



Catechist Corner: Anyone wishing to enrol for **IT Skills** on 9 Sept &/or **Smartboard** Inservice on 30 Sept please ring Lyn West on 4423 1009.

Culburra Family Group "Lavender & Lace" luncheon Sun **11 Sept**, 11^{am}. Bring food to share. Joan and Greg Watts' home, 85 Ryan's Lane, Pyree. Please wear something mauve or lavender. Phone: 4447 1270.

First Reconciliation will be celebrated at St Michael's on Tuesday and Wednesday September 6th and 7th at 7.00.p.m. Let us pray for the children and their families, that they may foster fidelity to the Sacrament

Twenty Third Sunday, Year A
4 September 2011

FATHERS' DAY. We pray God's blessing on the Fathers of the community. While the date of the first celebration of Fathers' Day in Australia is hard to pinpoint, credit for Father's Day in the USA seems to go to Sonora Dodd, Spokane, who celebrated Fathers' Day in 1910 to honour her father who had raised six children as a single parent.



Blessed Frederic Ozanam, 1813-1853, was beatified by Pope John Paul II on August 22, 1997. Frederic was moved by the plight of the poor, seeing service to those in need as the duty of all good

Christians. Not content to simply help the poor in their time of need, Frederic sought to radically change the lives of the downtrodden. This led him and a group of friends to found the **St Vincent de Paul Society**, which is active today throughout the world. His Feast is celebrated on **September 9th**. It is estimated that the St Vincent de Paul Society has 40,000 members and volunteers across Australia. Internationally, the Society operates in 130 countries and has over 950,000 members *St Vincent de Paul members are active in our parish and they welcome your interest in faith and action. For info about becoming involved, contact Janine 0434 366 458 or visit www.vinnies.org.au*



Shoalhaven Crossroads will meet **Fri 9 Sept.** 7.15-9.15^{pm}, Nowra Baptist church. **Enq:** Beth 4421 8137.

Wollongong Catholic Cursillo 2011 The Cursillo Movement focuses on helping lay Christians discover themselves, their relationship with Christ and with others. Thurs evening **8 Sept** till **Sun11 Sept** at Hartzer Park Retreat Centre, Bowral. For info & bookings ph Vanessa & Lester Smith 4628 8289 or 0419 609 827

Lay Ministry in the Church. the Work of the Spirit. Once off opportunity to hear Zeni Fox, leading expert in this field. Former advisor to the US Bishops' Conference. **Mon, 19 Sept**, 3.30 – 5.00^{pm} Catholic Church Offices, Level 3 Conference Rm.

All welcome. **RSVP** by Fri 16 Sept to Jane Edwards 4253 0899 or email jane.edwards@woll.catholic.org.au.



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Dates to note:

Wed Sept 21st. – Year 12 Graduation Mass St John's- 6.30.pm.

Sunday Sept. 25th. – Social Justice Sunday.

Oct 18th. (Tues) Feast of St Luke: Mass and anointing of the Sick – St Patrick's Berry-11.00.a.m.

Oct 22nd. (Sat.) Parish Retreat Day at St Michael's

Oct 29th (Sat): Mass at 10.30.a.m. for significant Marriage anniversaries, followed by a light lunch- St Michael's

Nov.5th. (Sat) – Liturgy at Worrigeer Cemetery.

Nov 6th. (Sun) – St Michael's School Fete.

Nov 20th- The Feast of Christ the King – First Holy Communion.

CatholicCare Art Show Fundraiser, Fri **23 Sept**, 7^{pm} (official opening), **Sat 24 Sept & Sun 25 Sept** at the Kembla Grange Turf Club. Browse artworks by Australia's finest artists on sale all weekend. Kids activities on Sun. All money raised helps strengthen families of children with a disability. For info or to book for the Fri night opening contact Trish Cooney on 42549318 www.catholiccare.woll.catholic.org.au

Chevalier College Peer group 1981: 30 Year Reunion. If you were in Year 12 in 1981 please contact Anne-Maree Doyle (nee Hogan) at trsdapto@bigpond.net.au . A reunion will be held at the end of October and the college would love to see as many old faces as possible.

Diocese of Wollongong Liturgy Festival: Sat, 29 Oct.

This day is set aside for ongoing formation of our liturgical ministries. All **acolytes, servers, readers, extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion, sacristans, children's liturgy teams, hospitality teams, musicians, singers & liturgy committee members are invited** to gather at St Mary Star of the Sea College, Harbour St, W'gong. The keynote presentation and workshop is on "**Liturgical Theology – Eucharistic Spirituality.**" In the afternoon there will be workshops for the various ministries.

The festival includes resource stalls and will conclude with Mass with the Bishop at St Francis Xavier's Cathedral. **Please mark your diary.** *Further details soon.*

Spirituality in the Pub: Mon 12 Sept, Jamberoo Pub, 7.30^{pm}.

As part of the 2011 theme "*Changing Consciousness*" Fr Claude Mostowik and Rev Rex Graham will focus on the topic "*Pressure from Below?*" Meals from 5.30^{pm}. For Info Ph: Eileen Radford 4232 3121.